



GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Director Rosa,

Please find attached the original document issued to me from Connecticut Labor CONN-OSHA requesting Greenwich Public Schools to investigate a specific alleged health hazard at Western Middle School. In addition, I have also attached the clean-up protocols as followed by the Greenwich Public Schools for places which serve food, as per the FDA.

Upon receiving the notification of a health hazard at our middle school worksite, I immediately knew the issue at hand. The educational team is working with mental and physical health experts to implement a plan which not only adheres to the needs of the student, but also keeps our staff safe from any health hazards. This includes the classrooms referenced: W22, W25, and W30.

After receiving your letter, I have reviewed protocol with our staff to make sure that all involved are following the correct procedures. Our Director of Facilities followed up with his staff, and the Head Custodian of the particular building to reiterate that all protocols must be followed. The following has been in place:

1. Any clean up required is treated in the same manner as a blood borne pathogen cleanup.
2. All custodial staff are trained in proper cleaning protocols, and our certified staff (teachers and administrators) should not be cleaning.
3. Only custodial staff may do the cleaning.
4. GPS does have some products which are not Green School Compliant, and do not need to be, as they are used as a disinfectant.
5. Additional clean up kits were also delivered to Western Middle School so that there was no difficulty in guaranteeing that ample supplies are provided for immediate use.

After meeting with the Director of Facilities, I then asked our Chief Human Resources Officer to meet with the entire team of certified and non-certified staff who work directly with the student to make sure that they knew we had followed up with the custodial team. Also, to reiterate the protocols for blood borne pathogen type clean-up which is to be conducted by only the custodial team.

I do believe that the school is doing everything possible to minimize the impact on staff. However, it is not easy given the complexity of a middle school environment and changing of classes every block. The nurse for Western Middle School is also assisting to oversee the health-related matters as required for the student, while being sensitive to the needs of the staff. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information. This is a challenging situation for all involved.

Regards,

Toni Jones
Superintendent
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